

Jazz In Our Schools: Black History Assembly
Donna Singer and The Doug Richards Trio to Present Educational
Black History Assembly at Berea Elementary School
Thursday, February 27, 2014

Jazz Vocalist, Donna Singer and The Doug Richards Trio will present a series of educational Black History assemblies in area schools. February is Black History Month. The assembly includes a fantasy journey to meet some of the world's best musicians. Hear their music, and learn about their places in history and the culture of their times.

Donna Singer, an international jazz recording artist, is a native and former resident of Sullivan County, NY. Her recordings with the Doug Richards Trio have placed high on the CMJ jazz charts, and played on radio stations throughout the USA as well as in Canada and Europe. She was recently accepted as a voting member of The Recording Academy, the organization that presents the Grammy Awards. Bassist Doug Richards, pianist Billy Alfred, and drummer Mike Cervone have combined their extraordinary years of experience to create some of the most exciting virtuosic straight-ahead jazz to be heard today.

List of songs and artists:

1. Route 66, Nat King Cole
2. Summertime, George Gershwin, Audra McDonald
3. What A Wonderful World, Louis Armstrong
4. LOVE, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Nelson Mandela
5. Ac-cen-tu-ate The Positive, Ella Fitzgerald, Billy Holiday
6. Bye Bye Blackbird, Sammy Davis Jr.

Please try to familiarize children with artist and songs. That could be fun and make event memorable. (We can do that through a.m. announcements, but feel free to support.)

List of visitors:

1. Donna Singer, vocals (do we have sound system or I'll bring my own?)
2. Doug Richards, bass (we have bass and amp)
3. Billy Alfred, piano (do we have piano or I'll bring keyboard?)
4. Mike Cervone, drums (we have drums)
5. Roy Singer, engineer and sound crew and groupie
6. Carolle Bell, artist of slides (she is only visiting Wednesday - would you like to see slide presentation? ok by me)